

### REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are pending in this application, with claims 1 and 15 being independent. Independent claim 1 has been amended and claim 2 has been cancelled. No new matter has been added by way of this amendment. Favorable reconsideration and further examination is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and the following comments of the Applicants, which are preceded by related comments of the Examiner in small bold type:

#### *Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102*

Claims 1, 3-6, 8-14 and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Fukutake et al.

Fukutake et al., U.S. Patent No. 5473118 discloses a printed circuit board with an overlay film. AS shown in Figure 4, the overlay film 3 is located on a substantially flat base sheet. Connector 2 is located in a cavity in the overlay film 3. As described in column 4, on line 10, the adhesive layer 4 is thermoplastic or thermosetting and is used to attach the film 3.

As suggested by the Examiner, independent claim 1 has been amended with the subject matter of claim 2. Also, shown below, the Examiner has stated the independent claim 15 is in condition for allowance. As such the rejection is rendered moot.

#### *Allowable Subject Matter*

Claims 2 and 7 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Polyolefin is not described or suggested as being a metal of the adhesive primer layer.

The prior art does not teach or suggest the thickness of the primer layer.

Claim 15 is allowed.

The prior art does not teach or suggest the recited igloo shaped dome forming a cavity sized for encapsulating a metal conductor.

The Applicants appreciate the Examiner's statement that claims 2 and 7 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form. As suggested by the Examiner, independent claim 1

has been amended to include subject matter of claim 2. Claim 2 has also been cancelled. The Applicants also appreciate the Examiner's statement that independent claim 15 is in condition for allowance.

It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed. However, the absence of a reply to a specific rejection, issue or comment does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the application is in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

The required amount of \$510 for the Petition for Extension of Time fee is being paid concurrently herewith on the Electronic Filing System (EFS) by way of Deposit Account authorization. Please apply all charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 17327-002001.

Respectfully submitted,

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